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In re U.S. Patent Application of

HIGAKI et al.

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**For: A STORAGE CONTROL DEVICE FOR LONGEVITY
OF THE DISK SPINDLES BASED UPON ACCESS OF
HARD DISK DRIVES (AS AMENDED)**

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Sir:

[x] The fee for submission of claims is calculated as shown below:

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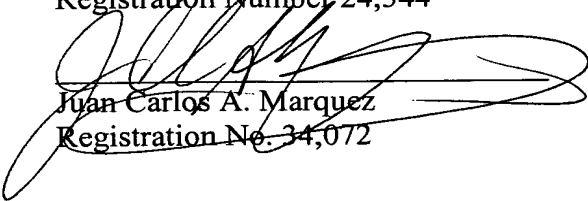
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